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MEMORANDUM FOR: CHIEF, STAFF B, OSO

SUBJECT: Training for Maritime Operations

1. The purpose of this memorandum is to acquaint the addressee with certain projected activities in the establishment of a training program for clandestine maritime operations, and to solicit the guidance of the addressee in the implementation of this program.

2. At the present time there are no facilities for training personnel, or developing equipment and techniques for clandestine maritime operations. Under a mobilization program it is visualized that maritime means may be employed in various kinds of activities, among which are:

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3. Efforts are currently underway, in cooperation with OPC, to explore the problem of providing facilities through which maritime training may be afforded. As a start, it is expected to organize a group of about ten qualified persons to form a nucleus for an expanded training program if such becomes necessary. In order to permit more advised planning on this project, addressee is requested to submit expressions on:

- a. Approximate number of personnel who may undergo maritime training.
- b. Nature of training desired.
- c. Length and type of training desired (orientation, individual training, "team" training, etc.)
- d. Any other pertinent comments.

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